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SETTING UP OF COLD STORAGE
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received proposals from State Governments to set up more cold storages in the country particularly in Himachal Pradesh, Uttranchal and Orissa;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the reaction of the Government thereto;

(d) the details of subsidy provided for construction/expansion/modernization of cold storages to each State during the current financial year; and

(e) the number of cold storage proposed to be set up alongwith the capacity during the said period, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA)

(a) to (c): The National Horticulture Board under the Department of Agriculture & Cooperation , Ministry of Agriculture is the nodal agency for promoting the setting up of cold storages in the country and it has not received from the State Governments of Himachal Pradesh, Uttranchal and Orissa, any proposal to set up more cold storages in those states during the current financial year.

(d) The details regarding subsidy provided for construction/expansion/modernization of cold storages to each State during the current financial year beginning 01.04.2005 are not yet available.

(e) The scheme of the Board is demand/entrepreneur driven therefore; no state-wise targets for setting up of cold storages are fixed under the scheme.